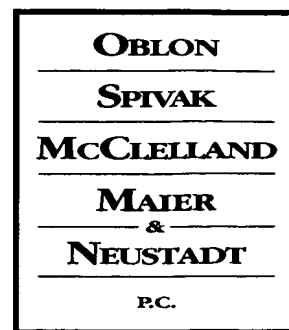


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CELL COMPOSITIONS PRODUCED BY THESE
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In response to the Office Action dated June 29, 2006 and the Communication of October 23, 2006, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 36-63 and bone marrow cells for initial examination purposes only. Claims 36-39, 41, 45-52, 54, and 59-63 are believed to read on the elected species.

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